GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1420
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DAMAGE TO NATIONAL HIGHWAY IN GUJARAT
SAVSHIBHAI MAKWANA

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether many of the National Highways in Gujarat were damaged due to the earthquake on January 26, 2001;

(b) if so, the estimated loss on this account; and

(c) the details of the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to lay new roads of international standard/repair the damaged roads of Gujarat ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL(RETD.) B KHANDURI)

(a): Some stretches of the National Highways like NH 14, 15, 8A, 8B & 8D were damaged due to earthquake on the 26th January, 2001.

(b)&(c): The estimated cost of repairs is Rs. 13.00 crores. All repair works have been completed, which include resetting of bearings and repair of cracks of some bridges and sealing of cracks and resurfacing of roads in affected reaches.